

MISSOURI STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, December 22, 2021

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Joy to the world



TODAY

- **“TRAVEL LIGHT” SERIES:** What's weighing you down this holiday season? Learn to let go of it!

You don't always
have the power to
control, but you
always have the
power to *surrender*.



THIS WEEK

- **3PM WEDNESDAY CLASS** meets in the auditorium.
- **SHAKE SHACK BREAKFAST CLUB** The next meeting will be on **December 30**.

JANUARY

- **SINGLES will not meet** on January 1.
- **WILD PRAY II—The Hungering/TEENS-PARENTS EVENT** will be open to 7th-12th grade students, as well as our college age students and their parents. Saturday, **January 15**, 5-9 PM. More details to follow.

GOOD TO KNOW

- **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:**
 - Wednesday, **December 29**—as usual.
 - Sunday, **December 26**—no classes, service **ONLY** at 10 am. Sunday, **January 2**—as usual.
 - Office will be closed on Friday, **December 31**.
- **LADS TO LEADERS BIBLE BOWL:** If you are interested in participating, please contact Chadwick Lucas by phone (870) 278-2589 or by email chadwicklucasfishin@outlook.com

- **WMCS DAYCARE** is raising money to change floors in three rooms they are using in this building. If you would like to help you can contact Sandra Newcomb.

PRAYER NEEDS

IN THE HOSPITAL:

Kenneth Foster has been moved to a regular room in NEA hospital in Jonesboro.

SHUT-INS

AT HOME: **Marge Young, Maggie Boals, Inez Reavis, Gerald & Peggy Griffith**

IN THE NURSING HOME:

Springs of Broadway: **Nema Richmond** (hospice care); **Rita Lawson**

St. Bernard's Villa (2217 W. Parker Rd., Jonesboro, AR 72404) - **Gene Thompson**, room 314

The Inn at Olentangy Trail (36 Corduroy Rd./Delaware, OH 43015)—**Bettye Hydrick**

OUR MoSt FAMILY: **Pam Wiseman** (needs to see a cardiologist), **Katie Dunlap, Bill Williams, Gerald Martin, Angie Register & family, Phillip Cooley, Linda Stundahl** (Tatum Parnell's mother), **Betty Weldon, Don Robbins, Peggy Parnell, Bobby Stewart, Don Jenkins** (Deana Stewart's brother), **Marilyn Pulliaum, Orlan & Molly Abernathy, Shelby & Jacob Langley**

OTHER PRAYER REQUESTS:

Cancer—**Alex Jones & Charles Jones** (Linda Washington's brothers), **Lorri Petty, Brenda Dunn** (surgery soon for breast cancer), **Deborah Tucker** (intensive PT following major cancer surgery involving muscles & nerves) - friends of Doris Bridges.

Other Issues—**Ginger McCord, Mike Menne** (Don Hilburn's son is in the hospital in hospice care), **Lynn Menne** (Don Hilburn's daughter has been diagnosed with dementia), **Nelda Havener** (Loretta Dale's sister), **Winston Blanchard**

If you want your prayer request to be included in the new, January, list, please let the office know by email (victoriadeal@comcast.net) or by phone (870) 735-3394



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CONGRATULATIONS

Anna & Charles Jackson are proud parents, Billy & Janice Simon are proud grandparents, Inez Reavis is a proud great grandmother of a baby girl Charli Beth Jackson. She arrived on Tuesday weighing 5 lbs 15 ozs (18 3/4 ins long).



MESSAGE FROM SCOTT LOVELADY:

MoSt Church Family: It has taken me some time since the Christmas Party for our clients to put into words how I feel about what my church family did, you see I have always known and even been a part of the giving we do at MoSt but never have I been on the receiving end of it because well that's just not me, but after what y'all did for these clients that mean so much to my life I have been overwhelmed with emotions. I have received so many call, texts, cards and visits from the caregivers of these clients who were either at the party or saw what they were given there, and they cannot fathom why people who don't even know their loved ones would do so much for them and ask nothing in return. So many of

these clients have been overlooked or looked down on in their lives that when you loved and made such a big deal over them it was one of the best things that has ever happened to them. You made such an impact on them I will be hearing about it all year, see it does not take much for them to be happy, the smallest things are grand to them and they appreciate everything they get, and they are so very appreciative of everything you did for them. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts and love each and every one of you and your big ole hearts.

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."
Matthew 25:40

TRAVEL LIGHT "LETTING GO OF CONTROL"

God can do more
with your *surrender*
than you can do
with your *control*.



TRAVEL LIGHT—4

LETTING GO OF CONTROL

In the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a village in Galilee, ²⁷ to a virgin named Mary. She was engaged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of King David. ²⁸ Gabriel appeared to her and said, "Greetings, favored woman! The Lord is with you!" ²⁹ Confused and disturbed, Mary tried to think what the angel could mean. ³⁰ "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "for you have found favor with God! ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. ³² He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. ... ³⁴ Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin." ³⁵ The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God. ... ³⁸ Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." ... Luke 1:26-32, 34-35, 38

And Mary said, "Behold the servant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." ... Luke 1:38 ESV

You don't always have the power to control, but you always have the power to surrender.

If you cling to your life, you will lose it; but if you give up your life for me, you will find it. Matthew 10:39

What are you trying to control that you need to surrender?

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TALK IT OVER

If total trust is a 0, and total control is a 10, where do you land on the control scale?

What are you trying to control that's outside your control?

What will you do this week that will force you to rely on God and others for the outcome?

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